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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 AND 1.143

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 21, 2002 setting forth a requirement for restriction, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.111 and 1.143, Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter of Group I, Claims 1-41 and Species I.